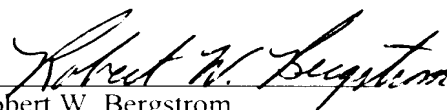


REMARKS

Claims 1-86 are currently pending in the application. In the Office Action dated June 10, 2003, the Examiner allowed claims 24-63 and rejected claims 1-23 and 64-86 under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103, as being anticipated and obvious by Hale et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,689,478. In the above amendment, Applicant's representative has cancelled claims 1-23 and 64-86 in order to expedite issuance of a Notice of Allowance. Applicant's representative respectfully requests that these claims be cancelled without prejudice, in case Applicant wishes to pursue 1-23 and 64-86 in a subsequent filing. Applicant's representative wishes to thank the Examiner for the allowance of claims 24-63, and respectfully requests the Examiner to issue a Notice of Allowance for allowed claims 24-63.

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